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In re application of:

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Application No.: 09/663,250

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TRANSMITTAL LETTER –
RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF MISSING
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Sir:

Pursuant to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Non-Provisional Application

Dated November 13, 2000, enclosed are the following to be made of record in the above-identified application:

- 1) Executed Declaration
- 2) Power of Attorney and Certificate of Assignee Under 37 C.F.R. § 3.73(b)
- 3) Verified Statement Claiming Small Entity Status
- 4) Copy of Notice of Missing Parts

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Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "David Heckadon".

David Heckadon

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37 CFR §10.9(b) – previously filed)*

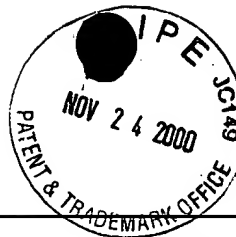
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NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

Filing Date Granted

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given TWO MONTHS from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The statutory basic filing fee is missing.
Applicant must submit \$ 690 to complete the basic filing fee and/or file a small entity statement claiming such status (37 CFR 1.27).
- Total additional claim fee(s) for this application is \$558.
 - \$324 for 18 total claims over 20.
 - \$234 for 3 independent claims over 3.
- The oath or declaration is unsigned.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- The balance due by applicant is \$ 1378.

A copy of this notice **MUST** be returned with the reply.

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